

CALENDAR

Date	Church	Community
<b>Sun 4/7</b>	8:30	Worship (sanctuary)
	9:30	Education
	10:30	Fellowship (FH)
	11:00	Worship (sanctuary)
	12:00	Middle East Lecture (FH)
	5:00	Youth Fellowship (Kinhart Center)
<b>Mon 4/8</b>	5:00	Grief Support Group (Zoom) Noon AA (FH)
	7:30	Congregational Life (Hargrove home)
<b>Tues 4/9</b>	5:00	Caregivers Group (Zoom) Noon AA (FH)
	7:00	Deacons (KC4a) 7:00 AAIG Executive (KC1a)
<b>Wed 4/10</b>	8:45	FPC Foodshare
	11:00	Staff (KC1a) Noon AA (FH)
	Noon	Wednesday Bible Study (Zoom) 7:00 FPC ACT Core Team (KC4a)
<b>Thu 4/11</b>	10:00	Archives (KC4b)
	12:00	Backpack Buddies (Annapolis Elem.) Noon AA (FH)
	6:15	Bell Rehearsal (bell) 6:15 ACOA (FH)
	7:30	Choir Rehearsal (music)
<b>Fri 4/12</b>	10:00	Food Fridays (Pip Moyer Center) Noon AA (FH)
<b>Sat 4/13</b>		8:30 Saturday Night AA (FH)
<b>Sun 4/14</b>	8:30	Worship (sanctuary)
	9:30	Education Hour; New Members Class (chapel)
	10:30	Fellowship Hour (FH); Choir Rehearsal (music)
	11:00	Worship (sanctuary) - <i>Crossroads</i>
	6:00	Youth Fellowship Dinner (FH)
	7:00	"At the River" Documentary Viewing (FH)

**ASSISTING THIS MORNING** - Preacher: Mihee Kim-Kort; Liturgist: Andrew Kort; Children: Miss Good; Acolyte: Carolina Friends; Ushers: Elizabeth Hancock, Gordon Duvall; Communion: Bob & Pat Foye.

**PRAYERS FOR FAMILY OF SUE GRECO** - who died April 2, including daughter Laura Shanley and granddaughter Katie. Sue was a church member for 30 years, having joined in 1994.

**EASTER PLANT MEMORIALS** - Please note these omissions from the Easter bulletin: To Loved ones, from Bev & Ed Hemminger; In loving memory of Fred, from wife Ruth; In memory of my sister Martha, from Ann Harris.

**First Presbyterian Church of Annapolis, Maryland**  
**April 7, 2024 – 11:00 am Worship**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter**

GATHERING AROUND GOD'S WORD

✠ Please rise in body or in spirit. **Bold** in unison.

Please complete and pass the Welcome Pad down the pew and back again.

**PRELUDE** - "Très vite ment" from *Pièce d'Orgue*

J. S. Bach

**WELCOME**

✠ **CALL TO WORSHIP**

O come, let us sing to the Lord and shout with joy to the rock of our salvation!

**Let us come into God's presence with thanksgiving, singing joyful songs of praise.**

Let us worship God.

PREPARING FOR GOD'S WORD

✠ **HYMN 624** - *I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art*

TOULON

✠ **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image; through Jesus Christ, the light of the world.**

✠ **KYRIE 551** - *Land of Rest*

LAND OF REST

**Lord have mercy; Christ have mercy; Lord have mercy upon us. (2x)**

✠ **DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

Hear the good news! The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, that we might be dead to sin, and alive to all that is good.

**In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Amen.**

✦ **GLORIA PATRI: Hymn 581** - *Glory Be to the Father* GLORIA PATRI  
**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be: world without end. Amen, amen.**

✦ **PASSING OF THE PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**  
(Please greet your neighbor with the peace of Christ.)

**TIME WITH CHILDREN**

(Children are invited forward for the message. Following, children 4 and under are invited to the nursery with staff. Prek-5<sup>th</sup> graders are welcome to Crossroads Choir with Ms. Jill. Worship bags available at front.)

**PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD**

**ANTHEM** - *Because He Lives*, Jill Woodward, soloist by W. Gaither / G. Gaither

**SCRIPTURE** - Isaiah 25:6-9; Luke 24:13-35  
This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON**

**RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD**

✦ **HYMN 510** - *We Gather Here in Jesus' Name* COME, SHARE THE LORD

**LITANY OF CELEBRATION**

**Sentences of Scripture**

Lord, you have been our refuge **from one generation to another.**  
Before the mountains were brought forth, or the land and the sea were born,  
**from age to age you are God.**  
Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning,  
**so we shall rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.**

**Prayer of Thanksgiving**

Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being, we lift up our joy. For the Church universal, and for this congregation of your people, **we give you thanks.**  
For those who with their long lives nurtured so many in faith, **we give you thanks.**  
For those who with their long lives loved through their work in this place,  
**we give you thanks.**

For those who with their long lives have shared of grace and peace, hope and joy,  
**we give you thanks.**

For those who with their long lives have shown us the faithfulness of God,  
**we give you thanks.**

Receive our gratitude, Holy God, for their long presence in this world, and the blessing of their time in our midst. Grant them your abiding light and love for all their days.

**Almighty and eternal God, the strength of those who believe and the hope of those who doubt, may we, who have not seen, have faith and receive the fullness of Christ's blessing who is alive and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen**

**PRESENTATION OF GIFTS AND OFFERINGS**

(Give online at [www.annapolis-presbyterian.com/give](http://www.annapolis-presbyterian.com/give) or scan QR code in bulletin.)

**OFFERTORY** - *I Will Make You Fishers of Men*, Crossroads Choir traditional song

✦ **DOXOLOGY 606** - *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* OLD HUNDREDTH  
**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, all creatures here below.  
Praise God above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

**THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. Forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil for thine is the kingdom, the power, and glory forever, Amen.**

✦ **HYMN 306** - *Blest Be the Tie That Binds* DENNIS

✦ **BENEDICTION** (Immediately following the benediction please feel free to depart or to stay for quiet meditation during the postlude.)

**POSTLUDE** - "Lentement" from *Pièce d'Orgue* J. S. Bach

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***You Are Cordially Invited! Today @Noon in Fellowship Hall***

*Join Our Very Own Jean-Francois Seznec for his annual update on the Middle East, to which he brings a wealth of knowledge and experience around politics + economics.*

### PLEASE CONTACT THE CHURCH OFFICE WHEN...

Members and friends of First Presbyterian are welcomed and encouraged to contact the office or pastors at anytime, for any reason at [office@annapolis-presbyterian.com](mailto:office@annapolis-presbyterian.com), [mihee@annapolis-presbyterian.com](mailto:mihee@annapolis-presbyterian.com), [andy@annapolis-presbyterian.com](mailto:andy@annapolis-presbyterian.com). Such as if...

...You have a **personal matter** to discuss.

...You or a **loved one is hospitalized or admitted to a rehabilitation facility**. (The hospital does not let the church know, even if they ask about church membership!)

...To share the **news of a child born or adopted**. A new family member is a blessing to be shared! We are not always on social media and may not know of your happy news.

...There is an **illness in the family**. Let us know so that the pastors may provide pastoral care.

...You desire prayers for family or friends, or to be placed on the prayer chain.

...You have a **change of name, address, phone, or email**. Please call and let us know so we can update our records and the church directory.

...You would like to **receive the weekly congregational email**. Send us your e-mail address and we will gladly add you to the list.

...**You are away**. Even when you are absent, the Church continues its mission and work. If you do not plan to be in worship every Sunday, pledges can be sent to the church in care of the Business Manager, Dottie Ballard ([dottie@annapolis-presbyterian.com](mailto:dottie@annapolis-presbyterian.com)) or completed online ([www.annapolis-presbyterian.com/give](http://www.annapolis-presbyterian.com/give)). Your faithfulness is appreciated!



*Thank you!*

### ABOUT TODAY'S MEMBER RECOGNITION

Today we celebrate the older adult members of our congregation who have been a vital part of our church's life and ministry for years. They are a group that has given much to the congregation in time and talent. They have served on session, deacons, trustees, PWC Board, Mission Committee, Caregivers, and CLAMS. They have taught Sunday School, sung in the choir, participated in Women's Circles and PWC and its many activities, attended Bible studies, belonged to the Spiritual Growth Group, and worked for Sweat Equity. One member was a part of the original Czech Partnership committee which traveled to Letohrad and helped with the construction of the Letohrad church building.

We also heard stories of appreciation for the church during times of illness and in the loss of loved ones, especially for the support of the pastors, deacons and other church members over many years during these difficult times. One member shared the comfort she still feels from a prayer shawl that was given to her loved one. Another shared: "First Presbyterian is a loving, caring and inclusive community, connecting our faith to our everyday lives and challenges, and helping us find our way in today's complicated world."

We are grateful for your presence and ministry in our midst, yesterday, today, and tomorrow — you inspire us!

### MUSIC NOTES

- ♪ Bach composed "Pièce d'Orgue" before 1717 while he was copying the French organ master Nicolas de Grigny's "Livre d'Orgue" from 1700, as he wished to master the French style.
- ♪ None of the three movements (Très vite, Grave, and Lento) fully embodies the French style, but the use of the French customary "Grand Plein Jeu," pulling out all the stops, recalls the French organ tradition.
- ♪ This composition has a potential connection to a keyboard competition with Bach's French virtuoso rival, Louis Marchand, in Dresden, 1717. Although the competition never took place due to Marchand's hasty retreat after listening to Bach's preparation, Bach's subsequent solo performance and possible improvisation duel on the harpsichord hint at his French-style tribute to his French opponent.

## CHILDREN + YOUTH MINISTRY

- Youth Fellowship - Tonight at 5:00 with dinner (thank you Bell family).
- Youth "Dinner & A Movie" - April 14, dinner at 6:00 pm, *At the River* at 7:00 pm.
- Youth Sunday, April 28 - One service at 10:00 am.
- VBS - Registration opens May 1.

## LOOKING AHEAD IN WORSHIP

### April 14 - Baptism; Crossroads

Pastor Andy will preach. Children of Allen and Kelsey Black, Sloane and Nicholas, will be baptized at 11:00 am. Crossroads offered for children at 11:00 am.

### April 21 - Guest Preacher Bill Hathaway; Crossroads

The Rev. Dr. Bill Hathaway will preach "Come to Jesus Moments" from Matt. 16:21-23.

- **About Rev. Bill Hathaway** - Bill served as our pastor from 1999 to 2018. Upon retirement, he and wife, Alison moved to Wilmington DE to be close to son Dan and Melissa, plus four grandkids (*yes, four!*), a close train ride to son Halsey and Jolynn in NYC, and to enjoy life in a small, walkable city. They split time between family, travel, and volunteering (Haiti Reforestation, Planned Parenthood, homeless shelter at First & Central Presbyterian, their new church home). They report being blessed by good health and a PCUSA retirement income.

Rev. Dr. Andrew Kort + Rev. Mihee Kim-Kort, Co-Pastors

Miss Good, Family Ministry Director + Jill Woodward, Music Director + Grace Oh, Organist  
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A Matthew 25 Church; Partner with Evangelical Church of the Czech Brethren, Czech Republic;  
Partner with the Caibarién congregation of the Presbyterian and Reformed Church of Cuba;  
Covenant Church with the Haiti Restoration Partnership; A More Light Congregation;  
The National Naval Memorial of the PC(USA)



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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**JOIN THE FPC EMAIL LIST** - for Friday's congregational + monthly newsletter emails. RSVP to [office@annapolis-presbyterian.com](mailto:office@annapolis-presbyterian.com), and stay informed about upcoming church activities!

**HEAR THE GOOD NEWS: Free Parking Until 2:00 pm** - This week the church was informed by the City of Annapolis that in collaboration with the parking management company, there is *extended* free parking on Sundays at Hillman Garage until 2:00 pm. The website and automated parking system have been adjusted to this revised time. Praise the Lord!

**NEXT SUNDAY** - "At the River" at 7:00 pm. About racism in the 60's, "At the River" is a profound and engaging documentary. Free with RSVP to [movie@annapolis-presbyterian.com](mailto:movie@annapolis-presbyterian.com). Deeply moving and beautifully crafted, see you in Fellowship Hall!

**SPRING NEW MEMBERS CLASS** - Learn about the fellowship and ministry of First Presbyterian Church; discover what it means to be Presbyterian; find ways to be a part of our community; meet current and future members! April 14, 21, 28 at 9:30 am. Questions and RSVP to [davidrichardson214@gmail.com](mailto:davidrichardson214@gmail.com).

**HOUSING FOR ALL ACTION** - April 30, 7:00-8:30 pm, Unitarian Universalist Church (333 Dubois Road, Annapolis). Join ACT to make housing accessible to all in Anne Arundel County! We believe that people of all life stages, races, and income levels should be able to afford to live in our county. In the fall we worked hard together to pass the Essential Worker Housing Bill. While that effort didn't succeed, it built the power to bring back a better version of the



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bill this spring. Now, we're building momentum for a new MPDU (Moderately Priced Dwelling Unit) bill that would set aside a percentage of units in any new development to be affordable. RSVP at [bit.ly/3vx9Fa9](https://bit.ly/3vx9Fa9).

**EARTH DAY RECYCLING** - April 22, 8:30-11:30 am. Parole Rotary Club will sponsor this event at the Farmers Market (275 Harry Truman Drive, Annapolis). Free paper shredding and collecting recycled pet supplies, eye glasses, hearing aids, books, laundry detergent, lithium batteries, computer equipment, bikes and bike parts. Come one, come all.

**WE ARE ALWAYS LOOKING** - for ushers greeters to welcome people to worship at the 8:30 and 11:00 am services as well as in the summer at 8:00 and 9:30 am. Please sign up here: <https://fpcannapolis.link/usher> or contact Bob at [robert.foye@gmail.com](mailto:robert.foye@gmail.com). Thank you!